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USUN FOR USDEL 23RD UNDP GOVERNING COUNCIL

EO 11652: GDS

TAGS: EAID UNDP

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1. MALCOLM COLE, DEPUTY SECRETARY, MFA, INFORMED EMBOFF THAT MFA AND MINISTRY OF DEVELOPMENT FAVORABLY DISPOSED TO SUPPORT US INITIATIVE. HOWEVER, MFA WILL MAKE NO DECISION UNTIL SIERRA LEONE UN AND UNDP DELEGATION REPLY TO SEVERAL QUESTIONS ON INITIATIVE POSED BY MINISTRY. ONLY SPECIFIC QUESTION SENT TO GOSL DELEGATION COLE WOULD REVEAL WAS, "WHY DID RUSSIANS REFUSE TO ACCEPT 1976 USG PROPOSAL TO PURCHASE NON-CONVERTIBLE CURRENCY?" EMBOFF ANSWERED QUESTION BASED ON INFORMATION CONTAINED REFTELS A & B. COLE SAID HE HOPED HE COULD GIVE POSITIVE REPLY EARLY NEXT WEEK.

2. UNDP RES REP, WILLIARD HARPER, TOLD EMBOFF THAT HIS CONVERSATIONS WITH MFA AND MIN DEVELOPMENT WERE GOOD, BUT AMONG QUESTIONS HE WAS ASKED AND HAD NO READY ANSWERS WERE: "WHAT WILL BE THE REACTION OF RUSSIANS TO US INITIATIVE?"; AND "WHY DID USG DELAY SO LONG BEFORE SEEKING SUPPORT FOR NEW INITIATIVE?"

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3. THESE, ALONG WITH INSTRUCTION TO REPORT AFRICAN BLOC REACTION TO US INITIATIVE, PROBABLY CONSTITUTE THE QUESTIONS SENT TO GOSL DELEGATION. EMBASSY RECOMMENDS US DELEGATION TO 23RD UNDP GOVERNING COUNCIL SEEK OUT GOSL DELEGATE PETER KUYEMBEH AND PROVIDE HIM WITH ANSWERS THESE AND OTHER QUESTIONS GOSL DELEGATION MAY HAVE ON INITIATIVE.

4. FYI: EMBASSY HAS HAD LONG AND PRODUCTIVE RELATIONSHIP WITH
KUYEMBEH AND HAVE FOUND HIM CAPABLE AND HELPFUL ON MANY OCCASIONS.
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